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growth and creative opportunities as reasons for electing this route.

Among many helpful suggestions made by the panelists were the following:

- * Establish your professional and personal reputation first, then network. Lopkin, for example, worked for several years as an associate at Proskauer, Rose, Goetz & Mendelsohn. Clients and business associates whom he met through the law firm were the key to his successful move to his current corporate position.

Law firms, however, are not the only route to establish your professional reputation.

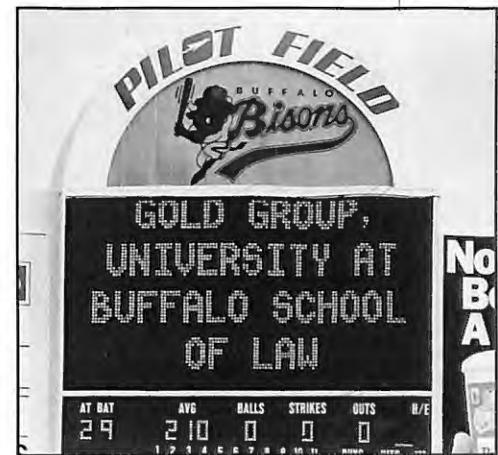
- * Volunteer. Silvers signed up with Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts. The legal work he did on behalf of his assigned client was his entrance into the world of film production. His pro bono case work gave him credibility as a qualified attorney who also had an interest in the field.

- * Move if you must. Lester Goodchild's move out of state was the starting point for his career in the federal courts. Tired of waiting for a federal court administrative vacancy to occur in New York, Goodchild took a similar position with the federal courts in Kansas City, Mo. When such a position finally became available in New York, he was already in the court network. His experience and seniority were the winning combination that brought him back East.

- * Capitalize on your past. Law school credentials and legal experience are not the only qualifications a candidate can market. Pre-law avocations, personal interests and hobbies can be important, too. Karen Comstock had a strong personal commitment to public interest work and helping others. Her pre-law school employment and activities gave her an edge when applying for her current job. ■



Alumnilae at Bisons game.



Introducing the Alumni Association's New

GOLD Group

Graduates Of the Last Decade — UB Law School's Most Precious Resource!

Recognizing the energy, enthusiasm and unique interests of the Law School's newly minted graduates, the Law Alumni Association has embarked upon an exciting project — the formation of a GOLD (Graduates Of the Last Decade) Group. All those who have graduated within the past 10 years are automatically members. And best of all, it's free.

This organization will address the needs of more than 2,700 recent UB Law School alumni/ae by planning activities and events that are fun, informal, inexpensive — yet priceless for career and social networking.

In addition, opportunities to be of service to the Law School through the GOLD Group's committees and volunteer projects will soon be available. Please call Alumni Director Ilene Fleischmann at (716) 636-2107 if you wish to set a shining example!

The GOLD Group's inaugural event was a buffet dinner and Buffalo Bisons game held on Wednesday, June 26, at Pilot Field's "Luke 'N Ollie's," a covered area in the mezzanine. More than 125 alumni/ae devoured all-you-can-eat hot dogs and hamburgers, socialized, and then watched the Bisons beat the Toledo Mud Hens in a special reserved section. Many cheered when the GOLD Group name flashed in lights on the scoreboard.

Catherine Wettlaufer '85 is chair of the Steering Committee, and Rosemarie A. Wyman '81 is co-chair. Serving with them are: William C. Altreuter '82, Mary C. Baumgarten '89, Michael J. Biehler '88, Richard Binko '82, Robert L. Boreanaz '89, Mark E. Brand '88, Margaret R. Burke '86, Elena Cacavas '85, Joan E. Casilio '87, Lynn A. Clarke '83, George W. Collins Jr. '84, Douglas Dimitroff '89, Paula M. Eade '90, John Feroletto '82, Richard Galbo '84, Andrew C. Hilton III '84, Edward Joziak III '88, Kathleen M. Kaczor '89, Richard P. Kriegler '90, Edward Markarian '85, Hugh M. Russ III '87, Susan Schoepperle '88 and Kevin Stocker '90. ■

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